

# Measuring Matter

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**Learning Objective:** In writing, SWBAT differentiate between boiling point, melting point, and freezing point, and give examples, using academic language.

### Mass

the amount of matter in an object

### Balance

a tool used to measure mass

### Volume

the amount of space something occupies



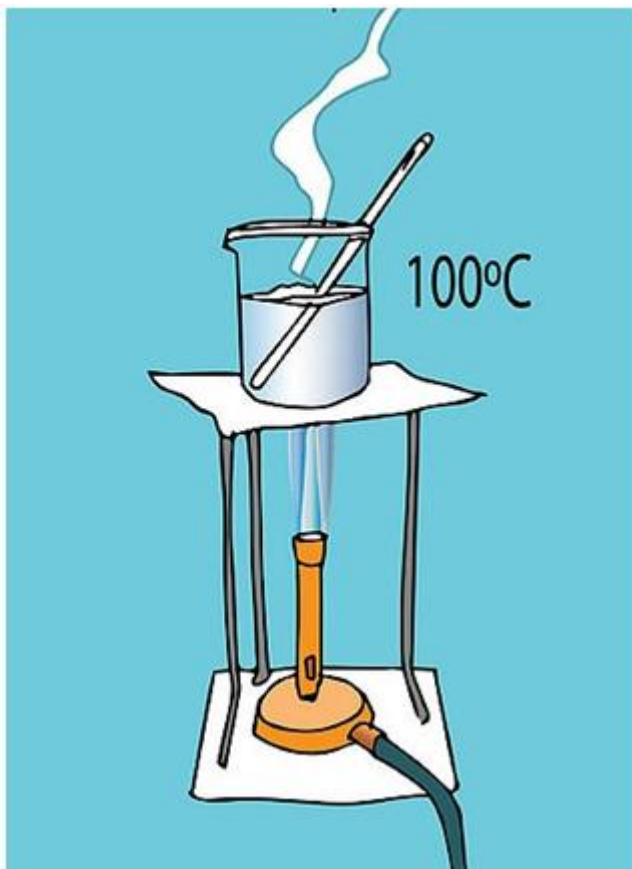
**Graduated cylinder**

a tool used to measure the volume of a liquid or solid

**Boiling point**

the temperature at which a liquid changes into a gas

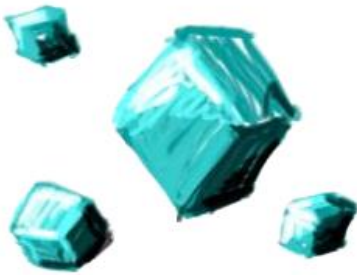
Example: water changes to water vapor at  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$

**Melting point**

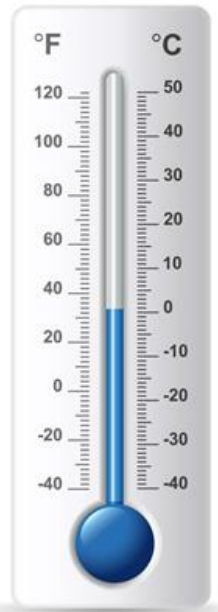
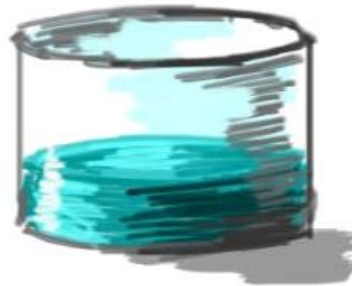
the temperature at which a solid changes to a liquid

Example: ice changes to water at  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$

**solid**



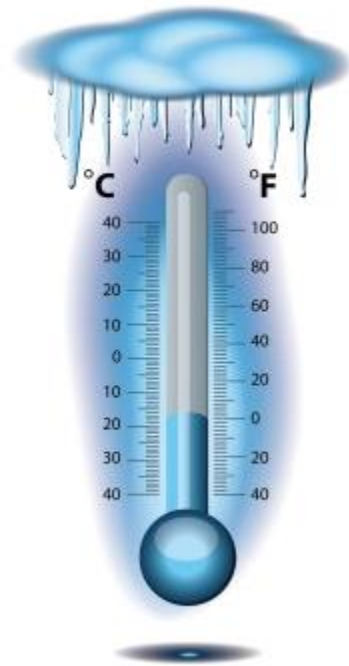
**liquid**



**Freezing point**

the temperature at which a liquid changes to a solid

Example: water changes to ice at  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$



**Thermometer**

a tool used to measure temperature

**Measuring Matter****Check Your Understanding**

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1. What do you notice about the freezing and melting point of water?

*I notice that the freezing and melting point of water are both*

\_\_\_\_\_ .

2. What properties of matter can we measure?

*The properties of matter we can measure are*

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ .

3. How can we measure matter?

*We can measure \_\_\_\_\_ with a \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ with a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ with a \_\_\_\_\_ .*

4. What kinds of matter have you seen melt, freeze or boil? Where did you see them?

*I have seen \_\_\_\_\_ .*

## Measuring Matter Science Skill

### Using Numbers to Compare

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1. Which substance has a higher melting point than water?

\_\_\_\_\_ *has a higher melting point than water.*

2. Which substance has a lower boiling point than water?

\_\_\_\_\_ *has a lower boiling point than water.*

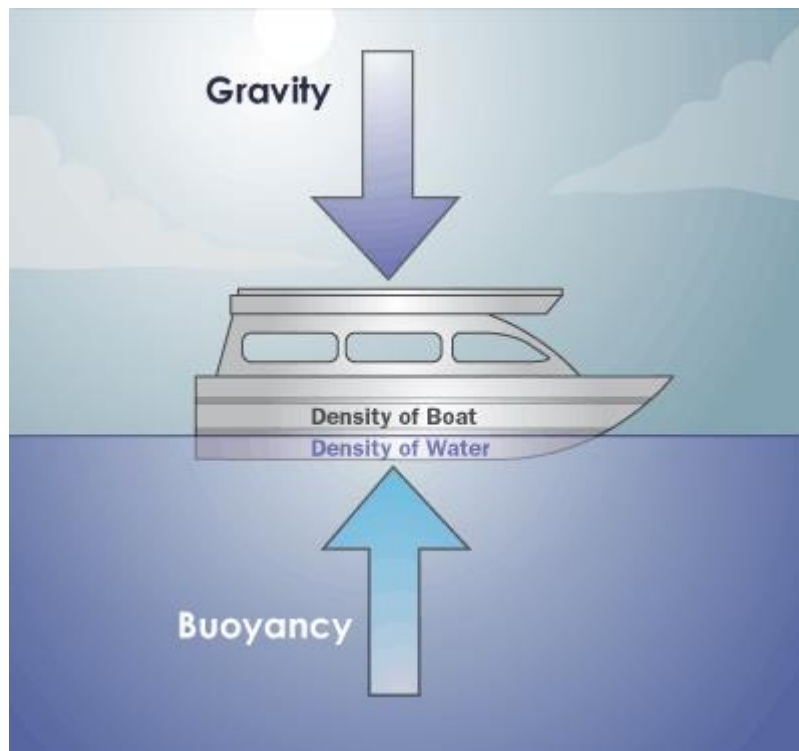
**Learning Objective:** In writing, SWBAT compare and contrast buoyant force and gravity, and explain why an object sinks or floats, using academic language.

#### **Buoyant force**

the upward force on an object in a liquid

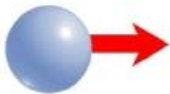
Gravity

pushes down on the object

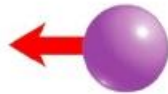


## Gravity

a force of attraction between objects



The force of gravity acts between all objects.

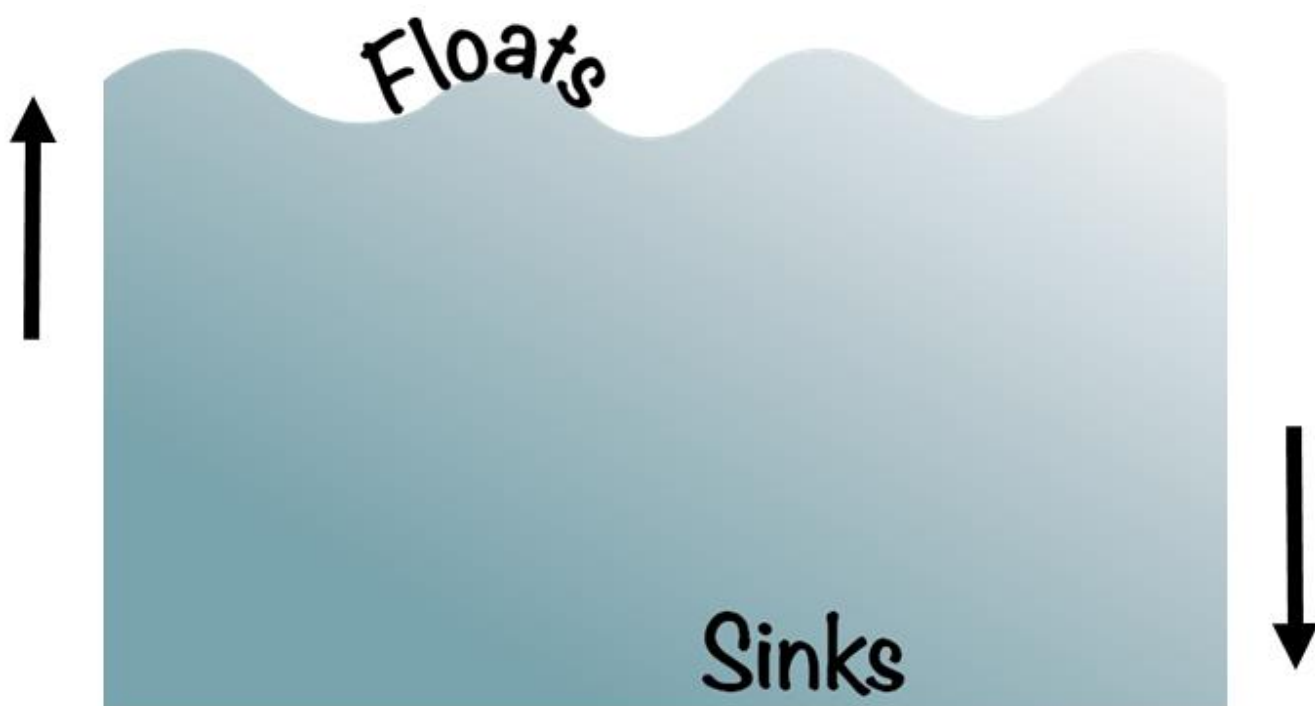


An object floats

if the buoyant force is greater than the gravitational force

An object sinks

if the gravitational force is greater than the buoyant force

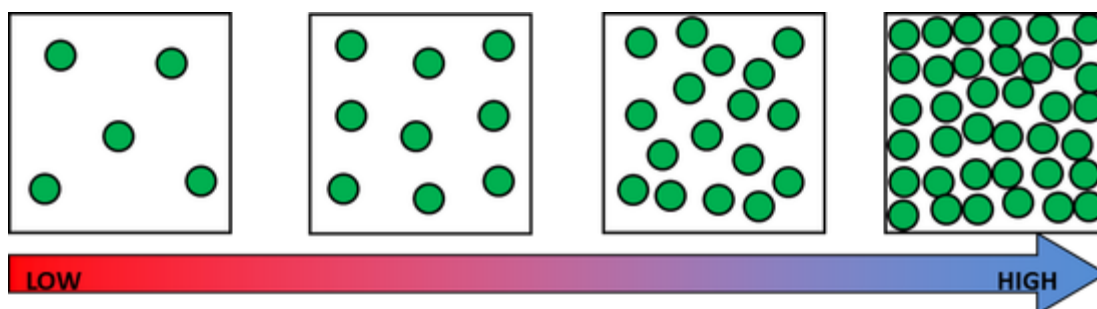


**Learning Objective:** In writing, SWBAT explain the concept of density, and calculate the density of objectives using the formula  $D = m/v$ , while using academic language.

### Density

the relationship between an object's mass and its volume

It is a measure of the amount of mass in a specific amount of volume



Formula to calculate  
density

$$\text{density} = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{volume}}$$

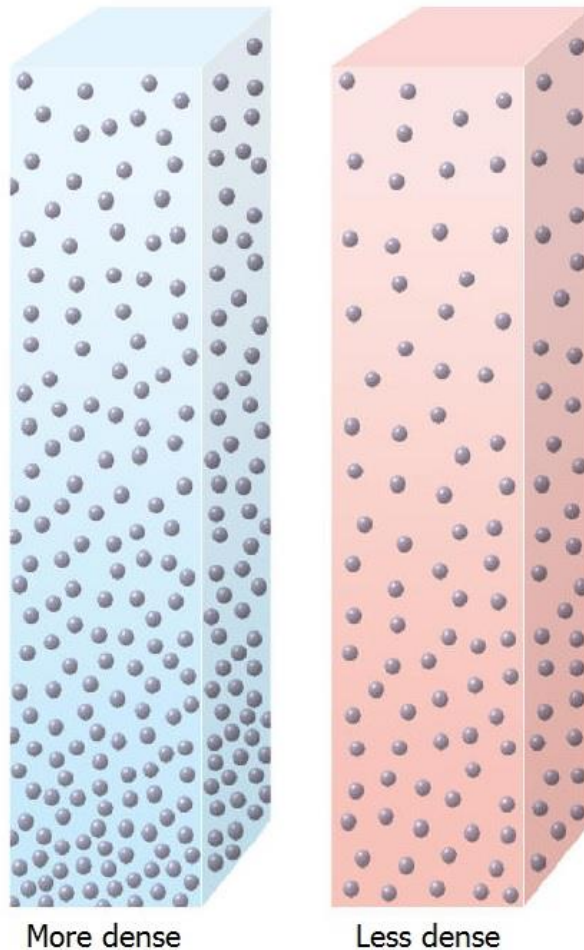
or, in short form:

$$d = \frac{m}{V}$$

Density is expressed as grams  
per cubic centimeter:

- g/cc
- g/cm<sup>3</sup>

Different materials have different  
masses for the same volume





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### Check Your Understanding

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1. What happens when you heat ice? What happens when you heat water?

*When you heat ice, the ice \_\_\_\_\_ and changes to \_\_\_\_\_. When you heat water, the water \_\_\_\_\_ and changes to \_\_\_\_\_.*

2. Why does a rock sink in water?

*A rock sinks in water because \_\_\_\_\_.*

3. If a rock has a mass of 84 g and a volume of 12 cc, what is its density?

*If a rock has a mass of 84 g and a volume of 12 cc, its density is \_\_\_\_\_.*

4. If one object sinks in water and another object floats, which one has a greater density?

*If one object sinks in water and another object floats, the object that \_\_\_\_\_ has a greater density.*